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Zero Waste Scotland Visit to Haven Recycle

Haven Recycle recently hosted a visit at its Hillington base from Zero Waste Scotland – the Scottish Government’s umbrella body which promotes waste reduction.

Haven Recycle secured funding in 2010 from the Increase III programme, managed by Zero Waste Scotland. This allowed Haven Recycle to invest in the capital equipment and other resources required to get the business off the ground.

After a tour of Haven Recycle’s dedicated, secure recycling facilities, Tony Stewart from Zero Waste Scotland, praised the Hillington operation as a “good news story”.

Mr Stewart pledged that support from Zero Waste Scotland would continue as Haven Recycle pushes ahead with its plans for growth.

For more information about Haven Recycle, contact Matt Harley on 0141 810 2450 or email info@havenrecycle.co.uk

An Independent Life

When Allen Macbeth was diagnosed with Alzheimer’s disease, and suffered from memory loss and mood swings, his family feared that the retired social worker would need to move into a home for long-term residential care. But a highly personalised care package – focused on attending Momentum Care’s Coventry Day Centre for older people - means that Allen can continue to fulfil his wish of living at home.

Allen, who is 71 years old, started attending the centre last May and immediately benefited from the one-to-one, personalised support. Rachel Webb, Allen’s daughter, said, “Because Dad used to be a social worker, he loves to help other people in the centre, including the staff members.

“He is able to assist doing jobs such as laying the tables, serving under supervision, washing and drying pots, outdoor gardening, helping to clean the buses and much more.

“Dad is too young to be institutionalised 24/7, and it would be the wrong thing for him, so the Coventry centre has been a God-send for both him and our family. We simply could not have coped without the help they provide.”

Allen's family believe that they have received a dividend from their decision to use their individual budget to buy in and control the type of support required – and would encourage others in a similar position to do likewise.

Rachel said, "Our experience proves that personalisation of social care does work – and there is an alternative to the default position of long-term residential care for people with Alzheimer's – if you handle it properly and use an experienced operator like Momentum."

For more information about Momentum Care's Coventry Day Centre, contact Andy Toon on 02476 667962 or email atoon@momentumcare.org.uk

Momentum Receives Community Donation to Mark Opening of New Tesco

To mark the opening of its new city centre outlet on Glasgow's Sauchiehall Street, Tesco recently presented Momentum with a cheque for £1,000.

Momentum was chosen by Tesco due to its work as a charity empowering disabled and excluded people in the store's local area.

The presentation took place during the launch ceremony of the new outlet, when store manager Sam Tippitt handed over the cheque to Momentum Scotland's Board Director, Andrew Heron.

The store is the first in Scotland to trial a new 'Food to Go' concept – allowing shoppers to pick up fresh food – like olives, fruit, salads and sandwiches – quickly.

Andrew said: "I am delighted that Momentum will benefit from the opening of the new Tesco Store in Glasgow.

"The generous donation will go towards Momentum's services in the local community which supports a wide range of people, including those with a brain injury, spinal injury, mental health difficulty, physical disability or learning disability in the areas of employment and training, job retention, community rehabilitation and social care."

"It has been fantastic meeting Sam and her team and I hope that this is the start of a great relationship."

Sam added: "My team and I are delighted to be able to support Momentum, as it does fantastic work within the local community."

For more information about Momentum's fundraising activities, contact Lucy Wilson on 0141 419 5281 or email events@momentumfundraising.co.uk

About Momentum

Momentum is a leading not-for-profit organisation providing rehabilitation, training and care services for disabled and socially-excluded people throughout the UK. Momentum comprises Momentum Skills, Momentum Care and Haven.

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